

Annual Report

HEBRON

NEW HAMPSHIRE



YEAR ENDING

December 31, 1953

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF HEBRON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending December 31, 1953

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

Manson B. Smith

TOWN CLERK

Oscar V. Morse

SELECTMEN

Syd Huckins ('54) Foster F. McClelland ('55)
Nelson C. Adams ('56)

TREASURER

Oscar V. Morse

TAX COLLECTOR

Rodney S. Adams

SUPERVISORS

Arnold Barnard

Bertha Braley

AUDITORS

Norton W. Braley

Marion C. Wood

ROAD AGENT

John A. Wood

(3-10-'53 to 6-15-'53)

POLICE

Nelson C. Adams

SPECIAL POLICE

Geore D. Gibbs

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Walter P. Brockway—Chief

John A. Wood—Captain Nelson C. Adams—Captain
East Side West Side

FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

George D. Gibbs—Warden

Deputy Wardens

Myron Braley

Rodney S. Adams

Nelson C. Adams

Walter R. Merrill

LIBRARY

Isobel Blodgett—Librarian

Isobel Blodgett ('54) Trustee

Alice M. Smith ('55) Trustee

Mary A. Rogers ('56) Trustee

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Virginia S. McClelland ('54) Alcott F. Elwell ('55)

Mary Russell ('56)

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Oscar V. Morse

Mary A. Rogers

Syd Huckins

COMMON COMMITTEE

Syd Huckins

Oscar V. Morse

Charles Hamblett

OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Foster F. McClelland

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER AND WOOD AND BARK

FENCE VIEWERS

M. Parker Smith

Richard Braley

Walter Merrill

TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Hebron, in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Hebron Community Hall on Tuesday, the ninth of March next at nine of the clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the ensuing year for expenditures enumerated in the proposed budget appearing on page 8 of the Town Report. Copy of the budget is attached to the posted Warrant.

3. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

4. To see if the Town will vote to give two per cent cash discount on taxes if paid ten days from date of tax bill.

5. To see what action the Town wishes to take in the matter of the Hebron Memorial Chapel and to raise and appropriate a sum of money for legal work should the Town authorize the Selectmen to take steps for the modification or removal of deed restrictions that prevent the Town from spending money for the maintenance of the Building.

6. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Other articles may be added before the Warrant is posted.

Given under our hands and Seal the 28th day of January in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

SYD HUCKINS,

FOSTER F. McCLELLAND,

NELSON C. ADAMS,

Selectmen of Hebron.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF HEBRON

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954. Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953

SOURCE OF REVENUE			
	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1953	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1953	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1954
FROM STATE			
Interest and Dividends Tax \$	882.52	\$ 888.91	\$ 850.00
Savings Bank Tax	100.00	120.53	100.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood & Timber	30.71	30.71	30.00
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:			
Dog Licenses	50.00	74.00	60.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	5.00	8.50	5.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	20.00	23.64	20.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	800.00	905.60	850.00
CASH SURPLUS	1,180.00	1,018.46	
FROM LOCAL TAXES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES:			
Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2	190.00	188.00	190.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	7.00	6.88	7.00
TOTAL REVENUE FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES			
	\$ 3,265.23	\$ 3,265.23	\$ 2,112.00
AMT. TO BE RAISED BY PROP. TAXES			
			14,572.07
TOTAL REVENUES			\$ 16,684.07

	Appro. Previous Year 1953	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1953	Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1954
PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES			
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Town Officers' Salaries			
Selectmen	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Treasurer	50.00	50.00	100.00
Clerk	50.00	50.00	50.00
Tax Collector	100.00	100.00	100.00
Janitor	25.00	25.00	50.00
Town Officers' Expenses	500.00	669.41	600.00
Election and Registration Expenses	100.00	68.25	150.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	400.00	229.22	400.00
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:			
Police Department	50.00	40.34	50.00
Fire Department	1,200.00	596.91	500.00
Blister Rust	200.00	200.00	200.00
Insurance	250.00	279.99	300.00
HEALTH:			
Town Dump	200.00	192.70	200.00
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	3,098.00	3,546.47	2,100.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,900.00	1,356.55	1,900.00
Street Lighting	140.00	155.11	140.00
Town Road Aid	152.29	152.29	155.78
State Contribution \$1,038.55			
LIBRARIES:	250.00	250.00	200.00

PUBLIC WELFARE:

Old Age Assistance	200.00	213.50	200.00
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PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:

Memorial Day and Old Home	105.00	104.70	105.00
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RECREATION:

Common	300.00	300.48	300.00
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PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:

Cemeteries		238.30	200.00
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UNCLASSIFIED:

Legal Expenses			100.00
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Advertising and Regional Associations	65.00	65.00	140.00
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INTEREST:

On Temporary Loans		21.88	22.00
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

County Taxes	1,537.17	1,537.17	1,600.00
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School Taxes	6,661.00	7,117.43	6,421.29
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 17,933.46	\$17,960.70	\$16,684.07
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SUMMARY INVENTORY AND VALUATION

Land and Buildings		\$604,445.00
Electric Plants	3	83,020.00
Horses	15	1,375.00
Oxen	9	1,080.00
Cows	30	3,905.00
Sheep and Goats	9	195.00
Fowl	2020	2,020.00
Boats and Launches	112	4,150.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.		200.00
Gasoline Pumps	6	710.00
Stock in Trade		1,700.00
Mills and Machinery		2,700.00
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Total Gross Valuation		\$705,500.00
Soldiers' Exemptions		5,850.00
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Net Value		\$699,650.00
Electric Utility Companies		
Conn. River Power Co.	\$ 58,600.00	
N. H. Electric Co-Op.	1,020.00	
Public Service Co.	23,400.00	
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		\$83,020.00
Number of Veterans who received property exemption		9
Number of Veterans exempt from poll tax		21
Resident Assessments		\$278,690.00
Non-Resident Assessments		420,960.00
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		\$699,650.00

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED AND TAX RATES

Appropriations:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$	625.00	
Town Officers' Expenses		500.00	
Election and Registration Exp.		100.00	
Town Hall & Bldgs.		400.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,625.00
Police Dept.			50.00
Fire Dept.			1,200.00
Blister Rust			200.00
Dump			200.00
Town Road Aid			152.29
Town Road Maintenance			
Summer	\$	3,098.00	
Winter, snow removal		1,500.00	
Sanding		400.00	
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Insurance			250.00
Street Lighting			140.00
New Equipment			400.00
Libraries			250.00
Old Age Assistance			200.00
Memorial & Old Home Day			105.00
Common			300.00
Advertising & Reg. Asso.			65.00
County Tax			1,537.17
School Tax			6,661.00
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Total Town and School App	\$		18,333.46

Less: Estimated Revenues		
Interest & Dividend Tax	\$	882.52
Savings Bank Tax		100.00
Reimbursement a/c Timber Tax		30.71
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		800.00
Dog Licenses		50.00
Filing Fees		5.00
Interest on Taxes		20.00
Cash Surplus		1,180.00
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Total	\$	3,068.23
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		\$ 15,265.23
Plus Overlay		324.07
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Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation	\$	15,589.30
Less: 95 Poll Taxes at \$2		
Nat'l. Bank Tax	\$	190.00
		7.00
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		197.00
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Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes	\$	15,392.30
Rate on Valuation of \$699,650.00		2.20

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31, 1953

Title of Appropriations	Appropriations	Additional Receipts	Total Amounts Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balances	Overdraft
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
General Government:						
Town Officers' Salaries	625.00		625.00	625.00		169.41
Town Officers' Expenses	500.00		500.00	669.41		
Election and Registration	100.00		100.00	68.25	31.75	
Town Hall & Bldgs.	400.00		400.00	229.22	170.78	
Protection of Persons and Property						
Police Department	50.00		50.00	40.34	9.66	
Fire Department	1,200.00	85.13	1,285.13	682.04	603.09	
Bliester Rust	200.00		200.00	200.00		
Insurance	250.00	75.76	325.76	355.75		29.99

Health:

Town Dump	200.00	200.00	192.70	7.30	
Highways and Bridges:					
Town Road Maintenance					
Summer	3,098.00	3,098.00	3,546.47		448.47
Winter: Sanding	400.00	400.00	225.60	74.40	
Snow Removal	1,500.00	876.75	2,376.75	1,030.75	1,346.00
Town Road Aid	152.29		152.29	152.29	
Street Lighting	140.00		140.00	155.11	15.11
New Equip. & Road Mach.	400.00	300.00	700.00	711.90	11.90
Miscellaneous					
Library	250.00	250.00	250.00		
Old Age Assistance	200.00	200.00	213.50		13.50
Memorial & Old Home Day	105.00	105.00	104.70	.30	
Common	300.00	300.00	300.48		.48
Advertising & Reg. Assoc.	65.00		65.00		
Cemeteries		5.00)	415.60	5.40	
		238.70)			
		137.80)			
		34.10)			
Interest on Loans			21.88		21.88
County Tax	1,537.17	1,537.17	1,537.17		
School Tax	6,661.00	6,661.00	4,581.00	2,080.00	
	\$ 18,338.46	\$ 1,753.24	\$20,086.70	\$16,468.76	\$ 710.74
Head Tax—1952		306.50	300.37	6.13	
Head Tax—1953		590.00	493.17	96.83	

Loans	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Bounties	26.25	26.25	37.25	11.00
			<u>\$22,299.55</u>	
Bank Charges			1.35	1.35
	<u>\$ 18,333.46</u>	<u>\$ 7,632.49</u>	<u>\$22,300.90</u>	<u>\$ 4,431.64</u>
				<u>\$ 723.09</u>
Unexpended Appropriations carried forward to 1954				<u>\$ 3,708.55</u>
State Head Tax			20.00	
School District			2,080.00	
Snow plowing			1,346.00	3,446.00
				<u>262.55</u>
Net Unexpended Balances				

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash		
In hands of treasurer	\$	5,184.06
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Lake Shore Memorial Park		6,810.59
Accounts Due to the Town		
Bounties		37.25
Uncollected Taxes		
Levy of 1953		429.89
State Head Taxes		
Levy of 1953		25.00
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Total Assets	\$	12,486.79
Surplus, Dec. 31, 1952		2,118.19
Surplus, Dec. 31, 1953		2,065.20
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Decrease of Surplus	\$	52.99

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by Town:		
Unexpended Balances of		
Special Appropriations		
Snow removal contract	\$	1,346.00
Due to State:		
State Head Taxes—1953		
Uncollected	\$	25.00
Collected—not remitted		
to State Treas		20.00
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		45.00

Due to School Districts:

Balance of Appropriation	2,080.00
Capital Reserve Funds	6,810.59

Total Liabilities	\$ 10,421.59
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Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus)	2,065.20
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Grand Total	\$ 12,486.79
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Bldgs.	\$ 4,300.00
Furniture and Equipment	200.00
Police Dept. Equipment	1,800.00
Highway Equipment	700.00
Schools, Lands and Bldgs.	6,000.00
Land taken by Tax Deed	
Rudy Merton Est.	100.00
Irving L. Pierce	60.00
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Total	\$ 13,160.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT—1953

1—1952 Motor Vehicle Permit issued after Jan. 1, 1953	\$ 1.00
141—1953 Motor Vehicle Permits issued in 1953	866.53
5—1954 Motor Vehicle Permits issued before Jan 1, 1954	38.07
26—Dogs licensed	74.00
7—Filing Fees	7.00
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Paid Treasurer	\$ 986.60
4—Births recorded	
4—Marriages	
3—Deaths	

OSCAR V. MORSE,
Town Clerk

DOGS

9 males @ \$2.00	\$ 18.00
4 females @ \$5.00	20.00
6 spayed females @ \$2	12.00
2 kennels @ \$12.00	24.00
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	\$ 74.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Rodney S. Adams, Collector

Property, Poll and Timber Taxes

Levy of 1952			
Property	\$	150.50	
Poll		4.00	
Timber		47.89	
Interest		4.11	
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Remitted to Treasurer		\$	206.50
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Total	\$	206.50	\$ 206.50

Levy of 1953			
Property Tax	\$	15,392.30	
Poll Tax		190.00	
National Bank Tax		7.00	
Timber		843.44	
Interest		2.40	
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Remitted to Treasurer			15,587.14
Discount Allowed			211.75
Abatements Allowed			206.36
Uncollected Dec 31, '53			429.89
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Totals	\$	16,435.14	\$16,435.14

Head Taxes

1952			
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1953	\$	15.00	
Penalties Collected		1.50	
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Remitted to Treasurer			16.50
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Total	\$	16.50	\$ 16.50

1953		
Total Submitted	\$	575.00
Penalties Collected		3.50
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Remitted to Treasurer		553.50
Abatements Allowed		
Uncollected Dec 31, 1953		25.00
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Total	\$	578.50 \$ 578.50

1953 TAXES UNPAID AS OF JAN. 1, 1954

Resident		
George Davis—Poll	\$	2.00
Carol Gibbs—Poll		2.00
Ruth McPhee—Poll		2.00
Arthur Hampson—Property		286.00
Harold Matthews—Timber		7.31
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	\$	299.31

Non-Resident		
Norman W. Downes—		
John B. Morrissey)—Property		22.00
Philip Huntley—Property		33.00
Adelaide Haule—Property		1.32
Hampshire Oil Co. Property		5.50
Wm. & Ada Marston—Property		13.20
Thomas Patterson—Property		2.20
Frank W. & Margaret		
Wanecak—Property		22.00
Ernest Rowe—Timber		31.36
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	\$	130.58

Total	\$	429.89
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STATE HEAD TAX		
George Davis	\$	5.00

Carter Gibbs	5.00	
Carol Gibbs	5.00	
Edna Hobart	5.00	
Ruth McPhee	5.00	
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ABATEMENTS

E. W. C. Jackson—Duplication	\$ 204.60
Socony-Vacuum Oil—pump removed	1.76
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Total	\$ 206.36

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

	Dr.			
	Tax Sales on Account of			
	Levy of			
	1953	1952	1951	Previous Years
Taxes Sold to Town during 1953				
Balance Unredeemed Taxes		\$ 1.38	\$ 1.26	\$ 4.75
Total Debits		<hr/> \$ 1.38	<hr/> \$ 1.26	<hr/> \$ 4.75
	Cr.			
Remitted to Treasurer Deeded to Town During 1953				
Unredeemed Taxes at Close of year		\$ 1.38	\$ 1.26	\$ 4.75
Total Credits		<hr/> \$ 1.38	<hr/> \$ 1.26	<hr/> \$ 4.75

RODNEY S. ADAMS,
Tax Collector

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance Pemigewasset Nat'l Bank		
Jan. 1, 1953		\$ 2,523.29
Balance Plymouth Savings Bank,		
Jan. 1, 1953		1,110.42
Received during year		23,851.25
Paid on Selectmen's Orders	\$ 22,299.55	
Bank Service Charges	1.35	
Bal. Pemigewasset Nat'l. Bank		
Jan. 1, 1954	3,056.51	
Bal. Plymouth Savings Bank,		
Jan. 1, 1954	2,127.55	
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	\$ 27,484.96	\$27,484.96

OSCAR V. MORSE,

Town Treasurer

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes 1953	\$ 14,589.09
Poll Taxes 1953	184.00
Nat'l. Bank Stock Taxes 1953	6.88
Yield Taxes 1953	804.77
State Head Taxes 1953	550.00

Total Current Year's Taxes

Collected and remitted \$ 16,134.74

Property Taxes and Yield Taxes

Previous Years	198.39
Poll Taxes, Previous Years	4.00
State Head Taxes, Previous Years	15.00
Interest Received on Taxes	6.51
Penalties on State Head Taxes	5.00

From State:

Interest and dividend tax	888.91
Savings Bank Tax 1952-53	229.43
Fighting Forest Fires	85.13
Bounties	26.25
	1,229.72

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	\$ 74.00
Business Licenses, Permits, and Filing Fees	8.50
Int. received on deposits	17.13
Registration of motor vehicles, 1952 Permits	1.00
Registration of motor vehicles, 1953 Permits	904.60
	1,005.23

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Temporary Loans in Anticipation of taxes during year	\$ 5,000.00
Insurance adjustments	75.76
Refunds	176.90

Total Receipts other than Current Revenue	\$ 5,252.66
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Total Receipts from All Sources	\$ 23,851.25
Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1953	3,633.71

Grand Total	\$ 27,484.96
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SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 625.00
Town Officers' Expenses	669.41
Election and Registration Expenses	68.25
Expenses Town Hall and other	
Town Buildings	229.22

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	40.34
Fire Dept., including forest fires	682.04
Blister Rust	200.00
Bounties	37.25
Insurance	355.75

Health:

Town Dump	192.70
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Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	152.29
Town Maintenance	
Summer	\$3,546.47
Winter	1,356.35

4,902.82

Street Lighting	155.11
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Libraries

250.00

Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	213.50
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Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Veterans Assns.	104.70
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Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds, including band concerts	300.48
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries, including hearse hire	410.20
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Unclassified:

Advertising and Regional Associations	65.00
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Total Current Maintenance Expenses	\$ 9,654.06
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Interest:

Paid on Temporary Loans in anticipation of taxes	\$ 21.88
Bank Charges	1.35

Total Interest Payments	23.23
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**Outlay for New Construction,
Equipment and Permanent
Improvements:**

New Equipment, Highway	\$ 711.90
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Total Outlay Payments	711.90
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Indebtedness:

Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	5,000.00
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Total Indebtedness Payments	5,000.00
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**Payments to Other Governmental
Divisions:****State Head Taxes Paid State Treas.**

1953 Taxes	\$ 477.00
Prior Years	316.54

793.54

Taxes Paid to County	1,537.17
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Payments to School Districts 1953 Tax	4,581.00
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Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	\$ 6,911.71
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Total Payments for all purposes	22,300.90
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Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1953	5,184.06
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Grand Total	\$ 27,484.96
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Received from Rodney S. Adams, Collector:

Year 1953

Property	\$ 14,589.09
Poll	184.00
National Bank	6.88
Timber	804.77
State Head Tax	550.00

Interest	2.40
Penalty on Head Tax	3.50

Total Taxes for 1953	\$ 16,140.64
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1952

Property	\$ 150.50
Poll	4.00
Timber	47.89
State Head Tax	15.00

Interest	4.11
Penalty on Head Tax	1.50

Total Taxes for 1952	\$ 223.00
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From State

Interest on Dividend Tax	\$ 888.91
Savings Bank Tax 1952	108.90
Savings Bank Tax 1953	120.53
Bounties	26.25
Forestry Dept.	85.13

Total	\$ 1,229.72
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From Town Clerk

Dog Licenses	\$	74.00
Filing Fees		7.00
Motor Vehicle Registrations 1952		1.00
Motor Vehicle Registrations 1953	866.53	
Motor Vehicle Registrations 1954	38.07	

\$ 986.60

Miscellaneous		
Selectmen, Pistol Permits	\$	1.50
Noyes Ins. Agency, Return		
Premium Insurance a/c		75.76
Trustees of Trust Funds - Cemetery	137.80	
Syd Huckins, Refund	34.10	
Flora Remick, lot in Pratt Cemetery	5.00	
Plymouth Savings Bank	17.13	

Total \$ 271.29

Total 18,851.25

Pemigewasset Nat'l. Bank - Loans 5,000.00

Cash Balance Jan. 1, 1953 \$ 23,851.25
3,633.71

Grand Total \$ 27,484.96

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

Syd Huckins	\$ 150.00
F. F. McClelland	125.00
Nelson C. Adams	125.00
Oscar V. Morse, Treasurer	50.00
Oscar V. Morse, Clerk	50.00
Rodney S. Adams, Tax Collector	100.00
Syd Huckins, Janitor	25.00
	<hr/> \$ 625.00

Town Officers' Expenses

Syd Huckins	17.55
F. F. McClelland	4.60
Nelson C. Adams	10.78
Oscar V. Morse	118.69
Rodney S. Adams	11.34
Rodney S. Adams, Head Tax	15.15

Printing and Stationery

Brown & Saltmarsh, books, etc.	15.67
Brown & Saltmarsh, town seal	9.67
Brown & Saltmarsh, books and forms	44.62
Wheeler & Clark, dog tags and stamp	6.32
Nelson C. Adams, envelopes	33.16
Nelson C. Adams, envelopes	6.50
Enterprise Press	13.20
Clay's News Stand, pads and blotters	5.65
Record Print, town report	247.22

Auditing

Norton Braley	6.00
Marion Wood	6.00

Notices

Enterprise Press	4.00
Parish Press, donation	5.00

Miscellaneous

U. S. Auto & Truck Guide	10.00
Assoc. of N. H. Assessors	3.00
N. H. Tax Collectors Assoc.	3.00
N. H. Town Clerks Assoc.	2.00
F. J. Shores, Transfers	8.99
Anna Proctor, Probate & Record	.30
Fay K. Adams, copying	10.00
John C. Ray, Bonds	51.00
	<hr/> \$ 669.41

Election & Registration Expense		
Arnold Barnard, Supervisor	10.50	
Bertha Braley, Supervisor	10.50	
Richard Braley, Ballot Clerk	6.00	
Ned Braley, Ballot Clerk	6.00	
Walter R. Merrill, Ballot Clerk	6.00	
M. Parker Smith, Ballot Clerk	6.00	
George D. Gibbs, Moderator	8.00	
Record Print, Ballots	15.25	
	<hr/>	68.25
Town Hall Expenses		
Public Service, light	35.11	
Bun Swett, Oil	164.11	
George D. Gibbs, Table	30.00	
	<hr/>	229.22
	<hr/>	\$ 1,576.73
Police Department		
Nelson C. Adams	25.00	
Federal Laboratories, handcuffs	15.34	
	<hr/>	40.34
Fire Department		
Fire Protection Co., siren	235.53	
Frank E. Drouin, platform	172.23	
George W. Tucker, electrical		
work	26.64	
John Matthews, boxes	25.25	
Arnold Barnard, fire truck	18.95	
Ned Braley, ladder	15.00	
N. H. State Firemens Ass'n. dues	24.00	
Dole's Radio, battery	6.10	
Eastern Fire Equipment,		
First Aid, etc.	46.65	
W. P. Brockway, Expense	7.69	
George D. Gibbs, Forest		
Fire Meeting	5.00	
Nelson C. Adams, Forest		
Fire Meeting	5.00	
Myron Braley, Forest		
Fire Meeting	5.00	
Nelson C. Adams, Grantham		
Mt. Fire	23.00	
David Reed, Grantham Mt. Fire	17.00	
Alan Brockway, Grantham		
Mt. Fire	17.00	
James Clark	17.00	
George D. Gibbs	15.00	
	<hr/>	682.04
Less Refund		85.13
	<hr/>	596.91

Insurance		
Farm Bureau, Town Hall	24.36	
Farm Bureau, Fire Truck	46.00	
Noyes Agency, Workmen's Compensation	171.39	
Mass. Bonding, Firemen	114.00	
	<hr/>	355.75
Less Refund		75.76
		<hr/>
		279.99
Town Road Maintenance		
By John A. Wood, Road Agent		
John Wood, labor	424.00	
John Wood, truck	346.00	
John Wood, tractor	252.25	
John Wood, horses	27.00	
	<hr/>	1,049.25
A. Barnard, truck		394.00
Raymond Davis, labor		61.00
George Davis, labor		70.00
Frank Russell, Truck		34.00
Frank Gurney, labor		9.00
Myron Braley, labor		52.00
Ned Braley, labor		138.00
P. Hazelton, labor		22.00
Fred Vinton, labor		14.00
Wm. Merrill, labor		55.00
Ray Valliere, bulldozer		84.00
Perley Matthews, gravel		52.35
E. L. Heal, Sales	1.75	
A. M. Rand	14.97	
Ray Road Equip.	15.03	
R. S. Yeaton, McClure Road	10.96	
	<hr/>	42.71
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		2,077.31
Hire of Equipment		
State of N H Machine		
George Road	88.65	
Hobart Hill	209.56	
Merrill & Wilson	51.50	
	<hr/>	349.71
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	331.30	
A. S. Woodward, trench	149.00	
	<hr/>	480.30
		<hr/>
Total		830.01

By Selectmen			
Emerson Mason, labor	44.29		
Syd Huckins, labor	66.20		
Nelson Adams, labor	20.00		
Rodney Adams, labor	12.00		
Andrew Morgan	2.70		
Raymond Davis, Bridge	11.00		
Frank Gurney, Hobart Hill	14.00		
Oscar Morse, Bridge	4.00		
Arnold Barnard, truck	69.60		
		<hr/>	243.79
Bridges			
Frank Drouin, Camp Berea	119.36		
Frank Drouin, Braley Road	228.80		
		<hr/>	348.16
A Barnard, repair road machine			4.75
R. S. Yeaton, George Road	28.35		
R. S. Yeaton, Davis Road	12.60		
		<hr/>	40.95
A. M. Rand, Davis Road			1.50
		<hr/>	639.15
Sanding			
Jan. 1—April 30			
A. Barnard, labor	9.50		
A. Barnard, truck	53.50		
		<hr/>	63.00
Raymond Davis, labor	53.50		
George Davis, labor	34.50		
Frank Gurney, labor	38.50		
Oscar Morse, labor	12.50		
		<hr/>	139.00
Chase Grain, salt	12.70		
Roy Woodward, sand	6.10		
		<hr/>	18.80
December, 1953			
Stockpiling Sand			
Arnold Barnard, truck	47.00		
A. Woodward, loader	32.00		
Chase Grain, salt	25.80		
		<hr/>	104.80
Total		<hr/>	325.60
Snow Removal			
A. Barnard, plowing	973.75		
A. Barnard, snow fence	57.00		
		<hr/>	1,030.75
		<hr/>	1,030.75

Street Lighting		
Public Service		155.11
Town Dump		
John Wood, hauling sand	51.00	
A. Woodward, bulldozing		
and hauling	114.70	
S. R. Hilliard, signs	27.00	
	<hr/>	192.70
Libraries		
Isobel Blodgett, Approp.		250.00
Old Age Assistance		
State Treasurer, 13 months		213.50
Old Home Day, etc.		
Cardigan Sport Shop, flags	4.70	
Janet Braley, Approp.	100.00	
	<hr/>	104.70
Common		
Syd Huckins	263.40	
Merrimack Farmers, fertilizer	19.75	
Rand Hdw., pipe fittings	5.68	
Railway Exp., shrubbery	2.15	
Newberry, basket	1.19	
Arnold Barnard, repairs, etc.	6.46	
W. P. Brockway, Xmas tree light	1.85	
	<hr/>	300.48
Cemetery		
Syd Huckins	387.05	
Frank Morgan	10.50	
Jari Products, parts for mower	6.20	
Rand's Hardware, paint	6.45	
	<hr/>	410.20
Rec'd. from Trust Funds	171.90	
Rec'd. from Flora Remick	5.00	
	<hr/>	176.90
	<hr/>	233.30
Edw. Dunkerton, bear	5.00	
Syd Huckins, porcupines	20.25	
Nelson Adams, porcupines	8.00	
	<hr/>	37.25
Less Refund for 1952		26.25
	<hr/>	11.00

Blister Rust		
Wm. Messeck, state forester		200.00
T. R. A.		
Treas., State of N. H.		152.29
Town Equipment—Road Machine		
Ray Road Equip., freight	55.90	
Ray Road Equip., machine	656.00	
	<hr/>	711.90
Advertising & Regional Assoc.		
Newfound Region C. of C.		65.00
State Head Tax		
Treasurer, State of N. H.	793.54	
County Tax		
Treas. Grafton County	1,537.17	
School District		
(M. Parker Smith, Treas,	4,581.00	
	<hr/>	6,911.71
Director of Int. Rev. W H Tax	8.80	
Taxes withheld	8.80	
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Loans in Anticipation of Taxes		
Pemigewasset National Bank	5,000.00	
Interest on loans	21.88	
	<hr/>	5,021.88
	<hr/>	5,021.88
Bank Charges		1.35
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Total Payments		\$ 21,936.86

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

During 1953 the Fire Department had only one call, a chimney fire at Charles Hamblett's. Though nothing needed to be done other than let the fire burn out, it was a great feeling of relief to know that the equipment was standing by.

On January 7, 1954, however, we had our first real test at the home of Dr. J. A. Bodie. Although called out late, we were able to reach the fire first with water because we were able to take it directly to the fire in the tank truck. Our appreciation goes to the Bristol Fire Department for their assistance in the complete control of the fire.

It cannot be emphasized too strongly that residents of Hebron call the Hebron Fire Department. The Bodie house was nearly lost because the Bristol department was called, and they cannot come unless called by the officer in charge of the Hebron department or the selectmen. Nearly half an hour of valuable time was lost.

Telephone numbers of the Hebron department have been publicized and should be kept in a prominent place. If they should be mislaid, call the Operator and tell her you want the Hebron Fire Department, giving the location of the fire and the type of fire. For a woods fire call the Fire Warden, George Gibbs. If the department is needed, he will call it out.

Year by year the equipment is being improved. We would like to train more men in its use, even if they do not wish to be regular firemen. The next house may be yours. We hope not, but you can learn how to help save it.

1954 BUDGET

Wire and relay for siren	\$	50.00
Paint for truck		20.00
Sign for fire house		30.00
Siren for truck		20.00
Ladders (Extension and roof)		200.00
Light for rear of truck		5.00
Tools		10.00
Expenses		165.00

Total	\$	500.00
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WALTER BROCKWAY,

Acting Chief

Report of the Trust Funds of Hebron, N. H. on DECEMBER 31, 1953

DATE OF CREATION	TRUST FUNDS PURPOSE OF CREATION All trust funds should be reported giving name of fund and donor	HOW INVESTED	Amount of Principal	Balance of Income on Hand at Beginning of Year	Rate of Int.	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year
Jan. 26, 1896	Sally S. Perkins, Preaching	Laconia Sav. Bk.	\$1,671.62		3	\$ 50.14	\$ 50.14	\$
Jan. 26, 1896	Sally S. Perkins, Preaching	Ply. Sav. Bk.	1,200.00		2½	45.06	30.00	15.06
Jan. 26, 1896	Sally S. Perkins, Preaching	Bristol Sav. Bk.	566.40		3	16.98	16.98	
Nov. 3, 1896	C. W. Powers, Preaching	N. H. Sav. Bk.	700.00		3	21.00	21.00	
Dec. 16, 1896	Baptist Society, Preaching	N. H. Sav. Bk.	176.00		3	5.28	5.28	
Nov. 24, 1909	Franklin Fogg, Hebron Common	N. H. Sav. Bk.	500.00		3	15.00		15.00
Nov. 24, 1909	Franklin Fogg, Hebron Common	Bristol Sav. Bk.	29.70		3	2.10		2.10
Mar. 16, 1896	Deborah Powers, Cemetery	U. S. Bond	1,000.00	122.60	2½	25.00	135.05	12.55
Feb. 15, 1897	D. N. Kemp, Pratt Cemetery	N. H. Sav. Bank	375.00	58.78	3	12.04	1.25	69.57
Nov. 12, 1914	Wm. S. Morse, Cemetery Lot	N. H. Sav. Bk.	50.00	9.47	3	1.72	1.90	9.29
May 21, 1896	Esther Hemphill, Pratt Cemetery	Ply. Sav. Bk.	50.00	4.45	2½	1.88	1.50	4.83
1905	Ellen George, George Lot	Ply. Sav. Bk.	100.00	6.68	2½	3.75	3.00	7.43
Oct. 11, 1910	Susan Hammond, Hammond Lot	N. H. Sav. Bk.	25.00	5.28	3	.84	.60	5.52
May 26, 1916	Zabina Woodbury, Woodbury Lot	Amoskeag Bank	100.00	1.70	3	3.00	1.90	2.80
1919	Annie M. Stanyon, Whittemore Lot	Cit. Sav. Bk. St. J.	200.00	6.74	1½	3.06	3.40	6.40
Sept. 20, 1923	Fred Coburn, Cemetery Lot	Ply. Sav. Bk.	250.00	16.67	2½	9.38	9.00	17.05
Feb. 2, 1927	J. T. McClure, Merrill Lots	Ply. Sav. Bk.	100.00	1.59	2½	3.75	3.00	2.34

TRUST FUNDS (Continued)

April 10, 1930	Bapt. Parso. Fd. Groton, Hebron Sch.	N. H. Sav. Bk.	458.71	50.15	3	15.36	65.51
July 29, 1935	Laura H. Walker, Walker Lot	N. H. Sav. Bk.	200.00	33.89	3	6.00	34.99
Aug. 7, 1926	Hattie Hazeline Fd., Swett Lot	Ply. Sav. Bk.	100.00		2½	3.75	1.75
June 20, 1938	Arthur H. Flint, Cemetery Lot	Ply. Sav. Bk.	25.00	.79	2½	.94	1.13
Sept. 23, 1942	Jewell Fund, Cemetery Lot	Ply. Sav. Bk.	50.00	1.85	2½	1.88	2.53
July 2, 1943	Lue M. Bernard Fd., Barnard Lot	Ply. Sav. Bk.	100.00	2.49	2½	3.75	4.24
Aug. 26, 1949	Elizabeth Gurney, Wallace Gurney	Bristol Sav. Bk.	100.00	7.17	3	3.19	.60
	Misc Account			20.49			.27
Oct. 6, 1904	Ellen George Fd., Hebron Library	Bristol Sav. Bk.	200.00		3	5.65	5.65
Oct. 9, 1940	Thomas I. Emerson, Hebron Library	Bristol Sav. Bk.	200.00		3	6.37	6.37
	Town of Hebron						
Dec. 31, 1945-50	Lake Shore Mem. Fd., Capital Reserve	Ply. Sav. Bk.	6,000.00	562.46	2½	248.13	810.59
			\$14,488.48	913.25		515.00	295.57
							1132.68

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

VIRGINIA S. McCLELLAND,
ALCOTT FELWELL,
MARY RUSSELL

Trustees

9.76

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The circulation was 2100. One hundred and twenty-three new books were added, of these, twenty-eight were from the Bancroft Fund and twenty-six from friends.

The following magazines are purchased and circulated the same as books: National Geographic, Saturday Evening Post, Life, Time, Readers' Digest, Good Housekeeping, Pathfinder, American Home and Jack and Jill.

Budget 1954

Books and Magazines	\$	75.00
Insurance, fuel and cleaning		30.00
Librarian's Salary		100.00

Total	\$	205.00
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ISOBEL BLODGETT,

Librarian

FINANCIAL REPORT OF HEBRON LIBRARY

Receipts

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1953		None
1953 Appropriation	\$	250.00
Fines, etc.		2.50
Total Receipts	\$	252.50

Expenditures

Books and Magazines	\$	72.98	
Book supplies, postage, etc.		9.25	
		<hr/>	\$ 82.23
Insurance on books		7.50	
Wood		4.00	
Cleaning		10.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 21.50
New Shelves			
Material		14.51	
Labor		9.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 23.51
Librarian's Salary			100.00
Total Expenditures	\$		227.24
Cash on hand Jan 1, 1954	\$		25.26

ISOBEL R. BLODGETT,
ALICE M. SMITH,
MARY A. ROGERS,
Trustees of Library

Examined and found correct.

NORTON W. BRALEY,
MARION C. WOOD

Jan. 22, 1954

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITORS

On January 16th we examined the books and accounts of the Town Officers in the Selectmen's Office in Hebron.

We checked all Vouchers with the Selectmen's Receipts and Payment Book. All Voucher numbers were accounted for and each Voucher had attached invoices, time sheets or other supporting evidence. The Treasurers' accounts were checked and all payment orders were accounted for and found to be properly signed. The Bank Balance was reconciled with the Cash Book Balance. All checks issued were accounted for. The Clerk's accounts were checked. The Tax Collector's Account was checked and spot checks made on the Tax Books and Blotter. The Bonds of Town Officers and Trustees of Trust Funds were examined and found to be in order as were the Insurance Policies carried by the Town. The Securities of the Trust Funds were found in order. The Town Books were certified to as correct and the Town Audit Report filed with the State Tax Commission as required certifying to the correctness of the accounts.

NORTON W. BRALEY,

MARION C. WOOD,

Town Auditors

School District

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Hebron qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Community Hall in said district on the 9th day of March, 1954, at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.
9. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,100.00, the same to be made immediately available.
10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Hebron this 5th
day of February, 1954.

BEVERLY H. SMITH,
FLORA R. BRALEY,
LEONARD G. SIMPSON,

School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

BEVERLY H. SMITH,
FLORA R. BRALEY,
LEONARD G. SIMPSON,

School Board

ANNUAL REPORT OF
HEBRON SCHOOL DISTRICT

District Officers

Arthur Hampson	Moderator
M. Parker Smith	Treasurer
Philip Hazelton	Clerk
Marion Wood	Auditor
Norton Braley	Auditor

School Board

Beverly H. Smith	Term expires 1954
Flora R. Braley	Term expires 1955
Leonard Simpson	Term expires 1956

Teacher

Jean H. Meredith
Attendance Officer
Manson B. Smith

Superintendent of Schools

C. Maurice Gray

School Nurse

Ellen F. Williams, R.N.

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF
SCHOOL TREASURER AND SCHOOL BOARD**

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953

Treasurer's Report

Summary:		
Cash on hand July 1, 1952	\$	46.54
Received from Selectmen, current		
Appropriation	\$	6,673.26
Received from all other sources		731.65
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Total Receipts	\$	7,404.91
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Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		7,451.45
Less School Board Orders Paid		7,117.43
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Balance on hand June 30, 1953	\$	334.02
M. PARKER SMITH, Treasurer		

Auditors' Certificate

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Hebron of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and find them correct in all respects.

MARION WOOD,
NORTON BRALEY,
Auditors

SCHOOL BOARD'S REPORT

Receipts:

From Selectmen, Appropriation	\$ 6,673.26
From P. Frank Russell, sale of schoolhouse	700.00
From William Marston, return Prem. on Ins. Policy	13.65
From Estelle McClure, refund auditor's salary	2.00
From Frank Gurney, rent	14.00
From Estelle McClure, filing fees	2.00
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Total Receipts	\$ 7,404.91
Balance on hand June 30, 1952	46.54
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Grand Total	\$ 7,451.45

Detailed Statement of Payments

Salaries of District Officers:

Leonard Simpson, School board salary	\$	15.00
Barbara Barnard, school board salary		40.00
Flora Braley, school board salary		20.00
Hazel Champney, school board salary		5.00
Manson Smith, truant officer and census		10.00
Evelyn Smith, $\frac{1}{2}$ year treasurer's salary		7.50
Parker Smith, $\frac{1}{2}$ year treasurer's salary		7.50
Philip Hazelton, clerk		1.00
Norton Braley, 2 years auditor		4.00
Marion Wood, auditor		2.00
	\$	112.00

Superintendent's Salary:

Supervisory Union No. 4	184.88
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Per Capita Tax:

State Treasurer	32.00
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Expenses of Administration:

N. H. School Board's Association, dues	3.00
Unwar Samaha, appointing acting treasurer	2.20
First National Bank, service charge	2.50
The Enterprise Press, notices	3.00
Supervisory Union No. 4, clerk and office expense	90.34
The Record Print, ballots	7.60
Flora Braley, expenses	1.25
Beverly Smith, expenses	1.25
Bristol School District, supplies	.80

Evelyn Smith, postage	1.86	
Parker Smith, postage	.94	
	<hr/>	\$ 114.74
Teachers' salaries:		
Jean Meredith	\$ 1,277.40	
N. H. Teachers Retirement System	143.40	
Director of Internal Revenue	398.15	
Zelma Watts	127.85	
Isobel Blodgett	33.20	
Richard Gale	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,000.00
Textbooks:		
Noble & Noble Publishing Co.	\$ 5.00	
Beckley Cardy Co.	4.83	
Rand, McNally Co.	11.04	
	<hr/>	\$ 20.87
Scholars' Supplies:		
American Education Press	\$ 6.00	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	11.00	
American Book Co.	.61	
Webster Publishing Co.	2.75	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	18.21	
Rand, McNally Co.	4.04	
Milton Bradley Co.	14.73	
Henry S. Wolkins Co.	13.04	
Follett Publishing Co.	.68	
Ginn & Co.	1.08	
J. L. Hammett Co.	36.52	
	<hr/>	\$ 108.66
Other Expenses of Instruction:		
J. L. Hammett Co., band instruments	\$ 4.44	
Supervisory Union No. 4	5.37	
	<hr/>	\$ 9.81
Janitor's Salary:		
Syd Huckins		100.00
Fuel:		
Bun Swett		182.25

Water, light and janitor supplies:

Bristol School District, supplies	\$	1.39	
Andrews Paper Co, soap and dispenser		5.88	
		<hr/>	\$ 7.27

Minor Repairs and Expenses:

Ramsey Pettengill, painting schoolhouse	\$	340.88	
Zoe Place, cleaning		7.20	
Thompson & Hoague Co., paint		110.40	
Stephen Childs, tuning piano		4.00	
Jean Meredith, supplies		1.19	
George Tucker, labor		12.27	
Oscar Powers, making key		5.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 480.94

Medical Supervision:

Supervisory Union No. 4, nurse's salary	\$	111.25	
W. G. McCrillis, medical supplies		1.21	
		<hr/>	\$ 112.46

Transportation of Pupils:

Ernest Hobart			540.00
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High School Tuition:

Bristol School District	\$	500.00	
Plymouth School District		227.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 727.00

Insurance:

William Marston	\$	182.00	
John C. Ray, treasurer's bonds		10.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 192.00

Other Fixed Charges:

N. H. Teachers Retirement Sys- tem, district's share	\$	118.60	
Supervisory Union No. 4, Supt's. retirement		16.42	
		<hr/>	\$ 135.02

New Equipment:	
Denoyer-Geppert Co., maps	57.53
Payment on principal of debt:	
Valley Trust Co.	2,000.00
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Total Expenditures	\$ 7,117.43

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

BEVERLY H. SMITH

FLORA R. BRALEY,

LEONARD G. SIMPSON,

School Board

GENERAL STATISTICS

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
1952-53	4	1	1	1	3	2	2	0	14
1953-54									
Jan. 8	3	3	1	1	1	5	1	3	18

District Totals

	Av. Attend	Av. Abs.	Av. Memb.	% Attend
1952-53	12.32	.53	12.85	95.6
1953-54				
Jan. 8	17.20	.25	17.45	98.

Tuition Pupils

Bristol High School—Rate \$275.00	
Myrna Braley	Grade 12
Sonia Pozerycki	Grade 10
Warren Tripp	Grade 12
Plymouth High School—Rate \$265.00	
Beverly Hobart	Grade 11

School Calendar

Open	Close
Sept. 8 (Wed.)	Dec. 22 (Wed.)
Jan. 3	Feb. 18
Feb. 28	Apr. 22
May 2	June 14 (Tues.)

Days Out: Nov. 25, 26; May 30. One day for Plymouth Fair.

Close 12:30 Nov. 24, Dec. 22

Total number of days required by State Board is 180 including three for institutes and conventions, and up to five for workshops.

Pupils must enter if six by Sept. 30 and may enter if six by Jan. 1.

Vaccination is required by state law unless child has written excuse from doctor.

COMPARATIVE BUDGETS

	Budget 1953-54	Est. Exp. 1953-54	Est. Budget 1954-55
Salaries of district officers	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00
Superintendent's salary	205.07	205.07	159.14
Tax for state wide supervision	30.00	30.00	36.00
Salaries of Admin. personnel	75.95	75.95	76.30
Supplies and expenses	60.00	60.00	150.00
Teachers' salaries	2,000.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
Books and other aids	40.00	40.00	40.00
Scholars' supplies	50.00	50.00	50.00
Supplies and other expenses	10.00	10.00	10.00
Janitor's salary	100.00	100.00	100.00
Fuel or heat	165.00	180.00	180.00
Water, light, supplies & expenses	40.00	40.00	40.00
Repairs and replacements	60.00	400.00	100.00
Health supervision	117.78	117.78	72.80
Transportation of pupils	540.00	1,260.00	1,260.00
High School tuition	800.00	1,080.00	1,470.00
Special activities & special funds	10.00	10.00	10.00
Retirement	140.00	175.00	170.00
Insurance, Treas. bonds & Exp.	92.50	92.50	187.05
Principal of debt	2,000.00	2,000.00	
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	\$ 6,646.30	\$ 8,236.30	\$ 6,421.29

Special article (for
desks and chairs)

348.72

\$ 6,995.02

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE

Balance	00
District Assessment	\$ 6,421.29
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Total Appropriation	\$ 6,421.29

District	\$2 Per Capita to State	Supt's Salary	Travel Expense	Office	Convention	Clerk	Nurse	Total to Union
Alexandria	\$ 152.00	\$ 197.84	\$ 58.80	\$ 22.13	\$ 5.88	\$ 97.36	\$ 152.50	\$ 534.51
Bridgewater	68.00	217.75	65.00	24.37	6.50	107.25	168.75	589.62
Bristol	566.00	1,242.85	371.00	139.12	37.10	612.15	956.25	3,358.47
Canaan	600.00	901.05	269.10	100.88	26.91	443.85	691.25	2,433.04
Danbury	226.00	259.43	77.70	29.07	7.77	127.87	200.00	701.84
Grafton	198.00	252.82	75.60	28.31	7.56	124.58	196.25	685.12
Groton	32.00	104.15	30.70	11.62	3.07	51.15	*	200.69
Hebron	32.00	142.18	42.70	15.94	4.27	70.13	111.25	386.47
Orange	40.00	31.93	9.40	3.56	.94	15.66	23.75	85.24
Totals	\$ 1,914.00	\$ 3,350.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 8,975.00
Paid by State		2,275.00						
		<u>\$ 5,625.00</u>						
					* Different Nurse			

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Several significant changes in educational law were made by the last legislature. The amount of state aid was increased from \$600,000 to \$900,000 with the result that Danbury's increased from \$3759 to \$6795 and Canaan's from \$6,958 to \$12,390. The two variables besides the total amount available which affect the amount received are the number of resident pupils in attendance and the adjusted valuations as set by the Tax Commission. A decrease in pupils and a boost in adjusted valuations ruins a district's chances of receiving aid. On this basis Bristol is \$25,000 away. Grafton with a loss in pupils from around 85 to 46 likewise becomes ineligible. Once again we make a plea for state aid in sufficient amounts so that those now receiving it may get more, and so that all districts may obtain some. Aid should be large enough to reduce the local tax assessment where needed and at the same time improve the educational plants and offerings to our pupils. Several millions of dollars are necessary to do these two things. The writer believes that such monies will come only from new sources of revenue, such as a sales tax, and would like to see a tax pegged for state aid including definite amounts for buildings for those districts too poor to provide for themselves. We should not be totally dependent on taxes from tobacco, liquor, and the race track. The economic and social welfare of New Hampshire will be no better than the thinking of the products of its schools.

A new law now requires that all of the \$2.00 per capita tax be spent for supervision. Under this all unions receive \$2,500 from the state, ours gets \$2,750 and some unions more than this. Five assistant superintendents are permitted, and helping teachers may be employed where most needed until the total amount of money is spent. Two new unions may be established. This particular union has been under study as one which could well stand relief but there will be no change for 1954-55. Accordingly this will remain one

of the two unions with nine districts sharing this doubtful honor with the Lisbon union. All others have less down to the point where the cities and larger towns may have a superintendent by themselves or a superintendent and an assistant. In our union many evening meetings are necessary and supervision is not as it could be. No job can justify the sacrifice of the physical and mental health of its holder. There are limits to the efficient use of time and energy; eventually neither exists for practical accomplishments. Obviously nine districts can not receive the benefit from anyone that five, six or even seven can.

Two new age requirements are passed. All pupils must attend school if six by September 30 and must remain in school in a district maintaining a high school until 16. These changes aggravate certain problems at both ends of the scale. An extension beyond the age of 16 may well be a reality someday. Programs of study will change to meet an enlargement of an old problem, how and what to teach the non-academic pupil. A question is also raised as to the moral obligation to transport pupils to high school if the law requires their attendance. It is not inconceivable that some legislature in the near future will require this transportation and probably will not supply the funds to do so.

Subversive Teaching. Increasingly important will be the three sided problem of Freedom to Teach versus communism versus communist smear tactics. This has been an issue nationally for some time but it is now filtering down to the local level. We must guard against hypocritical smear attacks against school people using the communist threat as a means to obtain other ulterior and insidious ends. By this we mean such things as charging a teacher with being a communist, or teaching communism, just because we do not like the teacher for any one of a hundred reasons. To do so is using the tactics of the communists themselves.

There is not much new either as to the aims or methods of the communists. In fact communist beliefs and practices have been well documented for nearly

100 years. If no one is allowed to study and to learn about these fiendish things it will be another hundred years before the average person knows much about them. The communists do not need that long to undermine America if it remains with its head in the sands. Teachers must be allowed to teach: (1) the facts, (2) how to find the facts. Any supercritical person can find passages in any book which can be distorted and warped: a distorted and warped person can find millions of them! Our youngsters will keep as good a balance as we adults show; we can expect no more even though we may have hopes. Let's keep a sensible and sane balance about these things and remember the Bill of Rights, the struggle to obtain it and the basic reasons for its adoption.

Teachers' Salaries. The 1953 Maine Legislature passed a required salary schedule beginning with \$2400 and ending at \$3600 for those with the Master's degree. This is a rather remarkable piece of legislation for a conservative New England Legislature to pass. There was a time when Maine was a fertile hunting ground for N. H. superintendents searching for teachers! Of course, Maine has a much more liberal state aid law and hence can withhold aid from any district not complying with this schedule. The following facts are taken from the School Executive. The average factory wage has increased more than 300% since 1939. National income is up 400% while teachers' salaries are up 220%. Teachers' salaries would have to be increased more than \$1000 for the average teacher to show increases comparable to those of the factory worker. Except for local married teachers (some of whom commute) our schools would not be open. How many districts grant sick leave, leave for death in the family, accident and health insurance, etc? These are some of the "fringe benefits" which help to ease low salaries, and are provided by many industries.

The addition of the new plastic topped desks at the Village School has made a "finishing" touch to the schoolroom. We got such a favorable price (actually a mistake in quotation) that additional desks were pur-

chased with the result that when new pupils arrived we had desks enough. It is expected that the desks will remain in good condition for many years.

Respectfully submitted,

C. MAURICE GRAY

VITAL STATISTICS — 1953

BIRTHS

Date, Place, Name of Child, Name of Father, and Maiden Name
of Mother

1953

- Jan. 23 Franklin; Linda Lee Sargent; William R. Sargent;
Ann Adams.
Mar. 16 Franklin; Thomas George Simpson; Leonard G. Simp-
son; Olive M. Garvin.
May 3 Plymouth; Steven John Wood; John A. Wood; Marion
G. Campbell.
Dec. 24 Plymouth; Judy Marie Matthews; Harold W. Matthews;
Marie A. Blair.

MARRIAGES

1953

Date, Place, Name of Groom, Name of Bride, Name of Person
Performing Ceremony

- June 27 Hebron; Arnold Bernard Clifford; Glenna Jean Mer-
rill; Rev. Walter P. Brockway.
June 27 Hebron; Charles Frank Quimby; Esther Kay Merrill;
Rev. Walter P. Brockway.
Aug. 26 Hebron; John Howard Young; Grace Annette Wills;
Rev. Walter P. Brockway.
Sept. 5 Hebron; George Chandler Bubier; Evelyn Viola Skil-
lin; Rev. Arthur W. Dewhurst.

DEATHS

1953

Date of Death, Place, Name of Deceased and Age

- Feb. 28 Plymouth; Winnifred Iva George; 66 years.
May 28 Laconia; Josephine Hobart; 83 years.
Nov. 5 Haverhill; Herbert Dow; 83 years.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct to the best
of my knowledge and belief.

OSCAR V. MORSE,
Town Clerk

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